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FROM PREPCOM DELEGATION

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SUBJ: NPT PREPCOM II: PRELIMINARY CONSULTATIONS

1. PREPCOM DELEGATION CONDUCTED EXTENSIVE CONSULTATIONS THIS WEEK AMONG DEPOSITARIES AND OTHER PARTIES REPRESENTED ON PREPARATORY COMMITTEE. FOLLOWING GENERAL IMPRESSIONS HAVE BEEN GAINED.

2. COST SHARING: ALL DELEGATIONS CONTACTED (INCLUDING MEXICO) BELIEVE THAT THERE MUST BE SOME CONTRIBUTION ON PART OF EACH PARTY TO NPT AND THAT FORMULA MUST BE DEvised WHICH PROVIDES FOR GRADATION OF CONTRIBUTIONS BETWEEN MOST AFFLUENT AND POOREST NATIONS. NUMBER OF DELEGATIONS SEEM IMPRESSED WITH
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GENERAL IDEA OF CSCE SCALE, BUT OTHERS STILL

ADVOCATING EXTREME POSITION WHEREBY US WOULD PAY SHARE WELL BEYOND WHAT WE BELIEVE REASONABLE. FINANCE WORKING GROUP WILL BEGIN MEETING EARLY IN SESSION TO ANALYZE AND SUMMARIZE FIGURES FOR COMMITTEE DECISION.

3. COMMITTEES: ALL DELEGATIONS CONTRACTED AGREE TWO MAIN COMMITTEES WILL BE BEST, PROBABLY TO BE DESIGNATED BY NUMBER RATHER THAN "TECHNICAL" AND "POLITICAL".

4. CONFERENCE AGENDA: OPINIONS ON AGENDA REMAIN VAGUE AT THIS POINT, PARTICULARLY DIVISION OF AGENDA BETWEEN PLENARY SESSIONS AND COMMITTEES.

5. CONFERENCE OFFICERS: NO DELEGATION EXPRESSES VIEW AGAINST INCLUSION OF THREE DEPOSITARIES IN GENERAL (STEERING) COMMITTEE, BUT PREPONDERANT OPINION IS THAT THIS SHOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED BY HAVING DEPOSITARIES OCCUPY VICE PRESIDENT OFFICES RATHER THAN BY MAKING THEM EX OFFICIO MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE. ALL DELEGATIONS, WITH POSSIBLE EXCEPTION UK, APPEAR FEEL STRONGLY THAT REGIONAL BALANCE WILL HAVE TO BE OBTAINED WHICH WILL MEAN GENERAL COMMITTEE OF AROUND TEN MEMBERS.

6. CONFERENCE CHAIRMAN: ALL DELEGATIONS APPEAR TO FAVOR PRINCIPLE THAT PRESIDENT SHOULD BE INDIVIDUAL WITH PRESTIGE FROM COUNTRY WITH HISTORY OF STRONG INTEREST IN NON-PROLIFERATION. BEYOND THIS, HOWEVER, THERE HAS BEEN LITTLE THOUGHT ABOUT EXACT PERSONALITIES OR COUNTRIES. LIKELY THIS QUESTION WILL BE HELD OVER FOR THIRD PREPCOM.

7. RULES OF PROCEDURE: ALL DELEGATIONS CONSULTED AGREE THAT EVERY EFFORT SHOULD BE MADE TO OBTAIN DECISIONS BY CONSENSUS BUT ONLY THREE DEPOSITARIES FEEL THAT CONSENSUS MUST BE REQUIRED. MOST SUPPORT PROBABLY LIKELY FOR SOME FORMULATION REQUIRING ATTEMPT AT CONSENSUS IN ALL INSTANCES BUT FOR VOTING IN EVENT INABILITY TO REACH CONSENSUS. SINCE PRINCIPAL INTEREST OF PROPONENTS OF THIS IDEA IS SUBSTANCE, NOT PROCEDURE, IT IS UNLIKELY THEY WILL CONFIDENTIAL

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EASILY AGREE TO REQUIRE CONSENSUS ON ALL SUBSTANTIVE MATTERS.

8. REVIEW OF IAEA, UN AND OPANAL PAPERS: ALL DELEGATIONS SEEM TO AGREE THAT PREPCOM SHOULD NOT DEBATE CONTENT OF PAPERS OR SEEK TO CHANGE THEM ITSELF. SOME, INCLUDING THREE DEPOSITARIES, WANT TO DISPOSE OF PAPERS BY NOTING THEM AND HOLDING FOR DISTRIBUTION

AFTER PREPCOM III; OTHERS INTEND TO MAKE SOME STATEMENT ABOUT CONTENT. ROMANIANS TELL US THEY MAY FEEL OBLIGED TO OBJECT TO FACT THAT IAEA HAS INCLUDED REPUBLIC OF CHINA IN STATISTICAL LISTINGS, EVEN THOUGH FOOTNOTE DISCLAIMS ANY IMPLICATION OF OPINION RE LEGAL STATUS. IF THIS OBJECTION RAISED WITHOUT ANY DEMAND FOR CORRECTION OR OTHER ACTION, WE WOULD PROPOSE TO MAKE NO REBUTTAL. IF DEMAND IS FOR CHANGE BY PREPCOM, HOWEVER, WE INTEND TAKE POSITION THAT CONTENT OF PAERS IS RESPONSIBILITY OF ORGANIZATION WHICH SUBMITTED THEM AND PREPCOM SHOULD NOT TAKE ANY ACTION TO ALTER PAPERS.

9. CONFERENCE DECLARATION: WE HAVE EXPLAINED OUR POSITION THAT FINAL PRODUCT OF REVIEW CONFERENCE SHOULD BE A GENERAL DECLARATION SUMMING UP RESULTS OF CONFERENCE. IT APPEARS TOO EARLY FOR MOST OTHER DELEGATIONS TO GIVE SERIOUS CONSIDERATION TO THIS QUESTION, WHICH THEY SEE AS RELATIVELY DISTANT.

10. WE HAVE MADE ARGUMENT THAT NO DECISION SHOULD BE TAKEN ON QUESTION OF OBSERVERS OR PARTICIPATION BY NON-PARTIES AT THIS TIME IN ORDER NOT TO PREJUDICE POSSIBILITIES OF RATIFICATION BY SOME COUNTRIES STILL ON FENCE. THIS ARGUMENT SEEMS TO HAVE SOME VALIDITY IN VIEWS OF OTHER DELEGATIONS AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO PUSH IT. IN THIS CONNECTION, CHAIRMAN PREPCOM WYZNER RECEIVED LETTER FROM SPECIAL NON-GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ON DISARMAMENT (NGO) ASKING ADMISSION TO PREPCOM II AND REPLIED THAT THIS WAS NOT PERMITTED UNDER RULES ADOPTED AT PREPCOM I. USDEL HAS RECEIVED CIRCULAR FROM NGO TO SAME EFFECT BUT INTENDS TO TAKE NOT ACTION THEREON.

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11. ABOVE REPRESENTS GENERAL CLIMATE AS OBSERVED THIS WEEK. FACT THAT CCD WAS IN SESSION UNTIL YESTERDAY HAS INHIBITED SOME DELEGATIONS FROM DEALING WITH PREPCOM MATTERS, WHILE IN OTHER CASES PREPCOM DELEGATIONS ARE NOT YET HERE. DELEGATION WILL REPORT FURTHER AS MEETING PROCEEDS.

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